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GEMS COMPRISING ELEMENTS
RECOVERED FROM REMAINS OF A
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Sir:

Before examining the present application, please amend it as follows.

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.